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*Foreign Office, January 17, 1895.*

**T**HE Earl of Kimberley, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received from Mr. F. W. Kerr, Her Majesty's Agent for the British Claims, the following Notice to British subjects having claims against the Government of Chile arising out of the Civil War of 1891.

Notice is hereby given to claimants that the undersigned, British Vice-Consul at Santiago, has been appointed Her Majesty's Agent for the British claims arising out of the acts committed against their persons or property during the period between the 7th day of January and the 28th day of August, 1891, inclusive.

The Mixed Commission, established under the Anglo-Chilean Convention of the 28th day of September, 1893, held their first meeting on the 24th ultimo, and in accordance with Article I of the above-named Convention every claim must be presented to the Commissioners within six months from that date.

And whereas various claims, and documents in support of them, have from time to time been transmitted to the Foreign Office in London and to Her Majesty's Legation in Santiago, the claimants are hereby notified that each claim must be accompanied by a Memorial to the Commissioners, and their claims formulated in conformity with the Rules of Procedure adopted by the Commissioners.

By order of the Commissioners the Memorials must be in print, and twelve copies thereof in Spanish and English must be forwarded for the use of the Commissioners.

Such claimants as may desire copies of the Rules of Procedure, as laid down by the Commissioners for the guidance of claimants in the presentation of their claims, can obtain them on application to me.\*

Claimants are requested to file their Memorials, together with all documents connected with their claims, at my office, No. 34, Calle Bandera, Santiago, with as little delay as possible.

(Signed) F. W. KERR,

Her Majesty's Agent for the British Claims.  
Santiago, November 14, 1894.

\* The Rules of Procedure were published in the London Gazette of the 1st January, 1895, and copies can be obtained on application to the Foreign Office.

*Foreign Office, January 18, 1895.*

**N**OTES exchanged between Her Majesty's Agent and Consul-General at Sofia and the Bulgarian Minister for Foreign Affairs, recording an Arrangement between Great Britain and Bulgaria relating to Commerce.

I.

Sir A. Nicolson to M. Natchovits, December 29, 1894.

II.

M. Natchovits to Sir A. Nicolson, <sup>26 December, 1894,</sup>  
<sub>7 January, 1895.</sub>

(Translation.)

*Sofia, December 29, 1894.*

M. LE MINISTRE,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge receipt of the note which your Excellency was good enough to address to me on <sup>November 26</sup><sub>December 8</sub>, proposing a Commercial Convention for a period of two years with Customs duties of 10½ per cent. ad valorem on British imports into Bulgaria.

I am instructed to inform your Excellency that Her Majesty's Government are prepared to accept the above-mentioned proposal on the following conditions:—

1. That British merchandize imported into Bulgaria should enjoy the treatment of the most favoured nation both in regard to transport tariffs or dues, and also in every other respect.

2. That British merchandize should not be subject to any municipal taxes or octroi duties which shall exceed a maximum of 2 per cent. ad valorem, with the exception of certain articles, specified in a tariff agreed upon between the two Governments. It is also understood that, in no circumstances, British merchandize shall pay higher taxes or duties than native merchandize of the same category, or than merchandize of the most favoured nation.

On receipt of a note from your Excellency, conveying the assent of the Bulgarian Government to the above conditions, Her Majesty's Government will consent that, from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 1895, British merchandize imported into Bulgaria should be subjected, till 1<sup>st</sup> January, 1897, to Customs duties of 10 per cent. ad valorem, together with the additional ½ per cent. hitherto accorded.

I avail, &c.,

(Signed) A. NICOLSON.

His Excellency M. Natchovits,  
&c., &c., &c.